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TAGS: AEMR, CD

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION CONTINGENCY PLANNING
FOR CHAD

REF: NDJAMENA 748(NOTAL)

1. DEPARTMENT APPROVES OF CONTINGENCY PLANNING INITIATED BY POST IN REFTEL. IF AMBASSADOR BELIEVES IT APPROPRIATE, YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO BEGIN REDUCING CLASSIFIED MATERIAL HELD AT POST AS ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE.

2. IN EVENT THAT EMERGENCY AIR EVACUATION OF NDJAMENA IS NECESSARY, DEPARTMENT CAN ARRANGE COMMERCIAL CHARTER (PANAM) WITHIN 24-36 HOURS AFTER YOUR INITIAL REQUEST. WHILE WE BELIEVE THAT THIS COULD PROBABLY BE SPEEDED UP IN CASE OF DIRE EMERGENCY, POST SHOULD USE 24-36 HOUR DELAY FACTOR IN ALL PLANNING.

3. IN LIGHT OF OVERCROWDED FACILITIES IN LAGOS, YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER DOUALA AS FIRST CHOICE FOR SAFEHAVEN IN EMERGENCY AIR EVACUATION.

4. FOR ALL ADDRESSEES: REFTEL DESCRIBES EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION CONTINGENCY PLANNING INITIATED BY OUR MISSION IN NDJAMENA IN EVENT CHADIAN INSURGENTS POSE THREAT TO THE CAPITAL. WE ARE ONLY DEALING IN CONTINGENCIES AT THIS TIME. PROBABILITY OF A REBEL ATTACK ON NDJAMENA IS BELIEVED LOW. THERE IS ALSO NO PREVIOUS EVIDENCE OF ANTI-AMERICAN OR ANTI-WHITE
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TENDENCIES AMONG THE REBELS. PLEASE INCLUDE ALL ADDRESSEES ON THIS CABLE ON ANY FURTHER CABLES DEALING WITH E & E PLANNING FOR CHAD. KINSHASA SHOULD BE SLUGGED FOR RSO.

5. FOR LONDON: REFTEL MENTIONS THAT APPROXIMATELY FIFTY COMMONWEALTH SUBJECTS LIKELY TO ACCOMPANY AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN EVENT OF EMERGENCY AIR EVACUATION. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THIS WOULD REQUIRE FORMAL REQUEST FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO US. WHILE WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT SUCH ACTION IS NECESSARY AT THIS TIME, YOU MAY WISH TO REVIEW THESE REQUIREMENTS WITH FOREIGN OFFICE.

6. FOR DOUALA: DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON FEASIBILITY OF USING DOUALA AS SAFEHAVEN FOR AIR EVACUATION FROM N'DJAMENA. POTENTIAL AIR EVACUEES NUMBER 250; ANOTHER 100 EVACUEES COULD POSSIBLY ARRIVE OVERLAND.

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